GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation made towards Orissa under the Balika Samridhi Yojana during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and provision made for 2000-2001;

(b) the amount deposited against Scholarship for the girl child studying in Class I and Class X during the above period; and

(c) the number of girl children benefited under this scheme in the KBK Districts of Orissa?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) The funds released to the State Government of Orissa under the Balika Samriddhi Yojana during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and provision made for 2000-2001 is as under:

(Rupees in lakhs)

YEAR	FUNDS RELEASED
1998-1999	332.115
1999-2000	221.41
2000-2001	350.00+

+ Funds of Rs.175.00 lakhs have already been released to the State Government

(b) Balika Samriddhi Yojana was launched on 15th August, 1997 to cover girl children in families below the poverty line in rural and urban areas who are borne on or after 15th August, 1997. At present only one component of the Scheme is under implementation i.e. the post birth grant. The girl child borne on 15th August, 1997 would start going to school w.e.f. August, 2003 on attaining the age of 6 years. Hence the scholarship benefit will be applicable from 15th August, 2003 onwards.

(c) Number of girl children benefited under the Scheme in KBK districts of Orissa is 11,256.